

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Celebrating Mass week by week, it is easy to think that we are in communion with the God who is “out there,” way back in the past and way forward into the future.

But much as Jesus walked the highways and byways of Judean countryside 2,000 years ago, Christ Jesus, the man who is God, still walks with us as we journey today. Day by day, he calls out from afar and at times comes alongside us, saying, “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens!” Who amongst us today is not carrying heaviness of some kind?

Jesus knows all too well the heaviness of heart that comes with rejection, abandonment and even persecution. “Christ the Farmer” who is so wise to the ways of the world, the flesh and the devil – and the faulty detours, the pitfalls and swamps of life – offers us his yoke so that he can guide us along the path of life, like the experienced, strong, master that he is.

Today as we partake of the Body and Blood of Christ, will we willingly slip into the yoke offered by the One who is gentle and humble in heart? As we do, let us learn from him and find rest for our souls.

Beverly Illauq; Kemptville, ON

First Reading: Zechariah 9.9-10

Responsorial Psalm:

*I will bless your name for ever,
my King and my God.*

Second Reading: Romans 8.9, 11-13

Gospel: Matthew 11.25-30

Holy Rosary is being led by Rose #16.

Parish Bulletin

Please note that we had to cease the distribution of all pamphlets, including the bulletin.

From now until further notice our parish bulletin is only available online on our website:

www.kolbe.ca

First Communion

Please pray for the following children who will receive their First Holy Communion this week:

Daniel Dutkiewicz
Vanessa Garcia
Elizabeth Rachwal
Isabelle Strecker
Anielka Tsyaska

May God bless you all!

Our sincere **Thank You** to **Anna Krzyczewski** and **Sister Karolina** for sewing and creating beautiful decorations for the First Communion celebrations. Thank you for sharing your talents with our parish and making the children’s day extra special.

The Sacrament of Baptism

will be bestowed upon

Adrian Franciszek Dobrowolski,
son of Aneta & Wieslaw

Valentina Styrzula-Montecinos,
daughter of Dominique & Hector

Benedict Adam Wojciechowski,
son of Anna & Matthew

We welcome both children to our Church community and congratulate their parents and Godparents.



Living the Gospel

by maximizing the impact of your donation

Administered by St. Elizabeth HealthCare, the Shared Services Initiative is supporting ShareLife-funded agencies in the areas of human resources, financial services and information technology. Participating agencies are able to improve the quality, competency and accuracy of their work. Through this initiative, ShareLife agencies are reducing their administrative expenses and ensuring that the maximum amount received is directed to the front-line services they provide.

Please make a sacrificial gift to ShareLife through your parish or sharelife.org before July 31st.

Group Intentions

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Intentions can be submitted by phone during regular office hours. Mass offering can be placed in the offertory box found inside the entrance to the parish office.



An update from Canadian Martyrs’ Shrine in Midland

It has been decided that Martyrs’ Shrine will not be opening its Church, or its Grounds, until 1 May 2021. Instead, efforts and resources, this season, will be focused on providing prayer, pastoral care, and ministry, through new digital mediums on our website. This decision represents the first time, in Martyrs’ Shrine’s nearly 100-year history, that it has not been open to pilgrims, and is a temporary measure representative of the magnitude of the global pandemic.

It is our belief that the scope of prayers made through the intercession of St. Jean de Brébeuf and his companions reach far beyond the gates of Martyrs’ Shrine. Though pilgrims will not be able to be physically on-site, we will ensure they can remain connected to Martyrs’ Shrine in other ways. The Jesuit Fathers who serve the apostolate are increasing their Ministry of Prayer by accepting petitions, requests, and Mass intentions, to be prayed for next to the relics of our Martyrs, through our website, and will continue to serve in a variety of out-reach ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto and beyond.

Together, we pray for the healing of our world, and all who have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

New By-Law Requires Mandatory Use of Masks at Church

Thank you all for your co-operation and kindness as we have returned to church over these past weeks. It has been so great to see parishioners once again! Thank you to everyone who has been so helpful in this re-opening stage, especially our wonderful volunteers.

As you may have heard in recent days, a new by-law has been passed that makes the use of masks or face coverings inside all public places mandatory. This includes churches and our own parish. We ask that all those coming to church bring a mask or face covering and wear it upon entering the church.

We recognize that this may be an inconvenience, yet we know that we are all committed to caring for our neighbour and those around us. While a number of restrictions have been lifted in recent days, we are still in the middle of a pandemic and need to take the appropriate steps to minimize any potential spread of Covid-19. So while the Archdiocese of Toronto had highly recommended wearing a mask while in church and most of you have been doing so, it is now a by-law that we must follow.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation as we do all that we can to take care of one another and keep our community safe and healthy.

We have all heard the wonderful news that the Ontario government has allowed for the opening of churches and places of worship. What does this mean for us ordinary believers? Well, this permission is subject to many conditions that must be met and adhered to. The most important is social distance, i.e. a space of two meters from one another on all four sides. This regulation significantly limits the number of people who can enter the church.

The **Chapel of Perpetual Adoration** is now open and regular adoration schedule has resumed. Maximum 6 people can be present in the chapel.

Our church is open and the faithful can begin to participate in Mass. As always, social distance must be observed. **Inside the church, only seats marked with yellow tape may be occupied.** Please note that occupancy of the church building is significantly reduced. The maximum capacity is as follows: main church – 90; choir loft – 65; hallway – 35; parish hall – 110.

Please note that only the entrance beside the Oblate cross is open. Volunteers will keep count of the faithful as they come in for Mass and direct them to their seats. The parish hall has been transformed into a church, Mass is being broadcast directly from the church upstairs, and priests come down to distribute Holy Communion. Others may participate in Mass by staying in their cars in the parking lot. It is strongly recommended that all faithful wear protective masks in the church at all times. Only one altar server (or siblings), one lector, and Eucharistic Ministers may serve at Mass.

For the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**, a distance of 2 meters is also required. Unfortunately, our confessionals do not meet these requirements. Therefore, confession will only be available on weekdays from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the new Catechetical Centre in Sr. Faustina Room, St. Eugene Room, and Br. Anthony Room. As soon as all restrictions are lifted, we will organize confession with the presence of many priests. Face masks are mandatory during confession. Please be patient to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

During the pandemic, in all churches in Ontario and in Canada, **Holy Communion** can only be received on the hand. There are absolutely no exceptions in this respect. Also, there will be no music in the church for the next few weeks. The organist will play, but there must be **no singing.** Parish bulletins will also not be printed; they will only be available online.

Funerals and weddings may again take place in the church in the presence of family and friends. **Baptisms** are to take place outside of Mass.

Families who wish to have their child receive **First Holy Communion** on a weekday at the 7 p.m. Mass are asked to call the parish office and sign up for a particular date. We have been given permission from Cardinal Collins for individual First Communion on weekdays.

We would like to remind you that during the pandemic, we have been granted **dispensation** from physical participation in Mass in the church. However, we are still obliged to participate in it through the media. If you feel sick or weak, if you have a fever or cough you should not come to church at this time. It is understandable that not everyone will be able to come to church right away because of the limited space. Mass is still being livestreamed online.

Brothers and sisters, our personal and spiritual lives are slowly returning to normal. We still have to get through the next few months, which is why I am asking you for patience, understanding, mutual respect, and compliance with the requirements of the Ministry of Health. We have received a clear warning that churches that do not adhere to the above-mentioned requirements will be closed again. Together, we can get through this difficult time.

Sunday Collection

• At the present time, Sunday Offering cannot be collected in a traditional way. However, it will be collected at the end of Mass by members of the Church Committee, who will stand by the exit door of the church and the parish hall. • A secure collection box can also be found by the parish office. • Alternately, donations can be made online at www.kolbe.ca by clicking on Donate Now and choosing St. Maximilian Kolbe Church from the list of parishes. • If you’re supporting our Building and Renovation Fund, please place your offertory envelope in the collection basket by the exit door.

Thank you for your continued support. May God Bless you.



Thank you to the Kida family, owners of Eddie’s European Meat and Deli Market, for their generous donation of delicious food for our parish priests. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated. God bless!

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, July 6th

St. Maria Goretti

8⁰⁰ ✠ Tadeusz & Monika – family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Anna & Andrzej Wrona – daughter with family

TUESDAY, July 7th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Franciszek Kobylarz – cousins with families
For members of Seniors Club
19⁰⁰ ○ For grace and Mother Mary’s protection for Anna & Leszek on their 35th wedding anniversary

WEDNESDAY, July 8th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Genowefa & Stanislaw Basiaga
19⁰⁰ *Group Intentions*

THURSDAY, July 9th

8⁰⁰ ○ For God’s blessing for Anna on her birthday
19⁰⁰ ✠ Stanislaw & Zygmunt Myszkowski – family

FRIDAY, July 10th

8⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for Aleksander Wroblewski on his 101st birthday
19⁰⁰ ✠ Czeslawa & Tadeusz Gondek – son with family

SATURDAY, July 11th

St. Benedict

8⁰⁰ ○ For God’s blessing for Aleksandra & Tadeusz
17⁰⁰ ✠ Leontyna Kosmala – family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Beata Konaszenko (5th anniv.) – parents

SUNDAY, July 12th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Karol Kurpaska – wife and children with families
9³⁰ ✠ Mieczyslaw Basta (1st anniv.) – daughter with family
11⁰⁰ ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors
12⁰⁰ *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Divine Mercy Chaplet*
13⁰⁰ ✠ Kazimierz Stec and his parents – Janina
14³⁰ ○ Thanksgiving for all received graces and for God’s continued protection for the Gorecki family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Deceased parents and siblings on both sides

Parish Bulletin Advertisements

If you are interested in advertising your business in our parish bulletin beginning in October 2020, please contact the parish office to place your name on a waiting list. We will contact you as soon as space becomes available.

Groceries for Homebound Seniors

If you are an elderly person and can’t or shouldn’t leave the house, call the parish office and our parish youth will do your grocery shopping for you.